(c) About 11 years after starting the execution of project works.

Opening of Post Offices and Telegraph Offices in Kangra District of Himachal Pradesh

5037. SHRI D.D. KHANORIA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the villages in Kangra district of Himachal Pradesh without a subpost office or a telegraph office at present; and

(b) the number of villages identified for opening of such post offices/sub-post offices or telegraph offices during 1991-92?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) 3656 villages of Kangra district of Himachal Pradesh are without a sub post office and 3593 villages are without a telegraph office.

(b) During 1991-92 five villages have been identified for opening telegraph offices and no villages has been identified for opening a sub post office in Kangra district of Himachal Pradesh. However as on 1-4-1991, the number of extra departmental branch post offices in Kangra district was 497.

Student-Police Patrol Scheme

5038. SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a new scheme of "Student-Police Patrol" has been introduced by the Delhi Police;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the progress made under the Scheme so far; and

(d) whether the Union Government propose to issue directives to State Governments and Union Territory Administrations to implement this Scheme there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir. A scheme 'Student on Patrol' has been introduced in South District of Delhi Police from April, 1991.

(b) The scheme aims at fostering closer public-police relations, making students security conscious and involving them in collection of intelligence and detection of certain crimes.

(c) One hundred seventy four students have been enrolled under the scheme.

(d) The Government has no such proposal under consideration.

[*Translation*]

INDO-USSR Co-Operation in the Field of Agriculture

5039. SHRI RAM SARAN YADAV: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indo-Soviet Working Group on Agriculture have identified new areas of co-operation in the field of agriculture; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The third Meeting of the Indo-Soviet Working Group for Cooperation in the field of Agriculture was held in Moscow from May 24-31, 1990. The Working Group laid emphasis on developing new forms of

economic and technical cooperation in the field of agro-industry, expansion of cooperation for seeds development under India's New Seed Policy particularly for oilseeds, coarse grains, pulses and forage and for establishment of direct fier between agricultural research establishment of the two countries for undertaking joint research and for exchange of young scientists for furtherance of cooperation among sclentists and research organisations of both the countries.

[*English*]

Electronic Telephone Exchanges in Medak District of Andhra Pradesh

5040. SHRI M. BAGA REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Zaheerabad, Sadasivpet and other Taluq Headquarters in Medak district of Andhra Pradesh have been included in the programme for setting up of electronic telephone exchanges with STD facilities during 1991; and

(b) if so, when the work is likely to be taken up and completed?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b). Electronic exchanges have already been commissioned at Narayankhed and Narasapur Taluk Headquarters.

—STD facility is planned during 1991 for Naraspur only.

—There is no Programme to instal electronic exchanges with STD facility at Zaheerabad, Sadasivpet and other Taluk Headquarters in Medak district during 1991.

[*Translation*]

Public Telephone in Every Village

5041. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY:
SHRI TEJ NARAYAN SINGH:
SHRI VISHWESHWAR BHAGAT:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to provide atleast one public telephone (PCO) in every village of the country during Eighth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) No, Sir. The Department has planned to provide telephone facility progressively in all the village Panchayats during 1991-95.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) Being a massive work Panchayat villages are planned to be covered during 1991-95. The remaining villages are proposed to be covered during the 9th Five Year Plan.

[*English*]

Diversion of West Flowing Rivers in Kerala

5042. SHRI M.R. KADAMBUR JANARTHANAN: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to